Gentle Words

SATB a cappella

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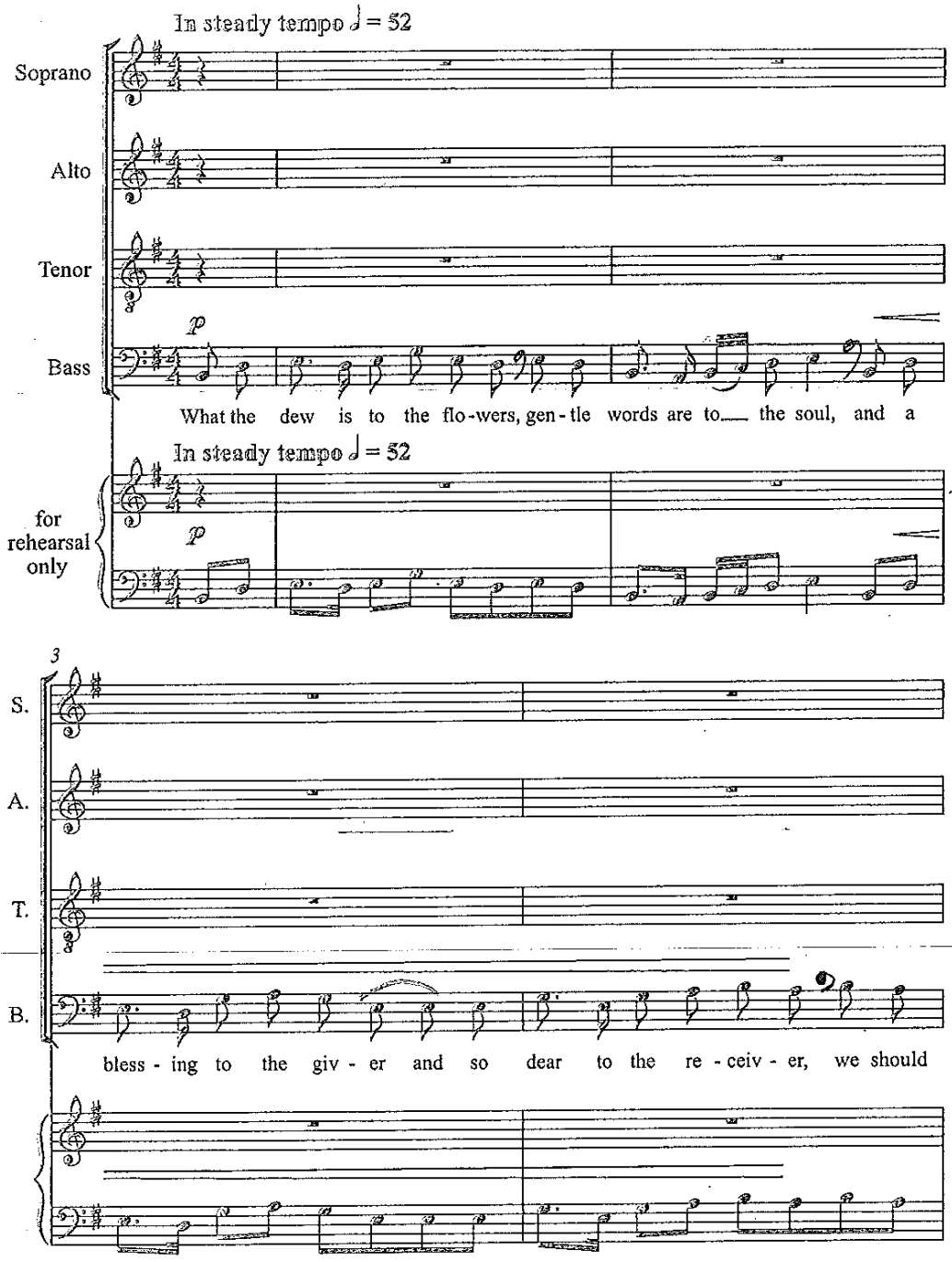

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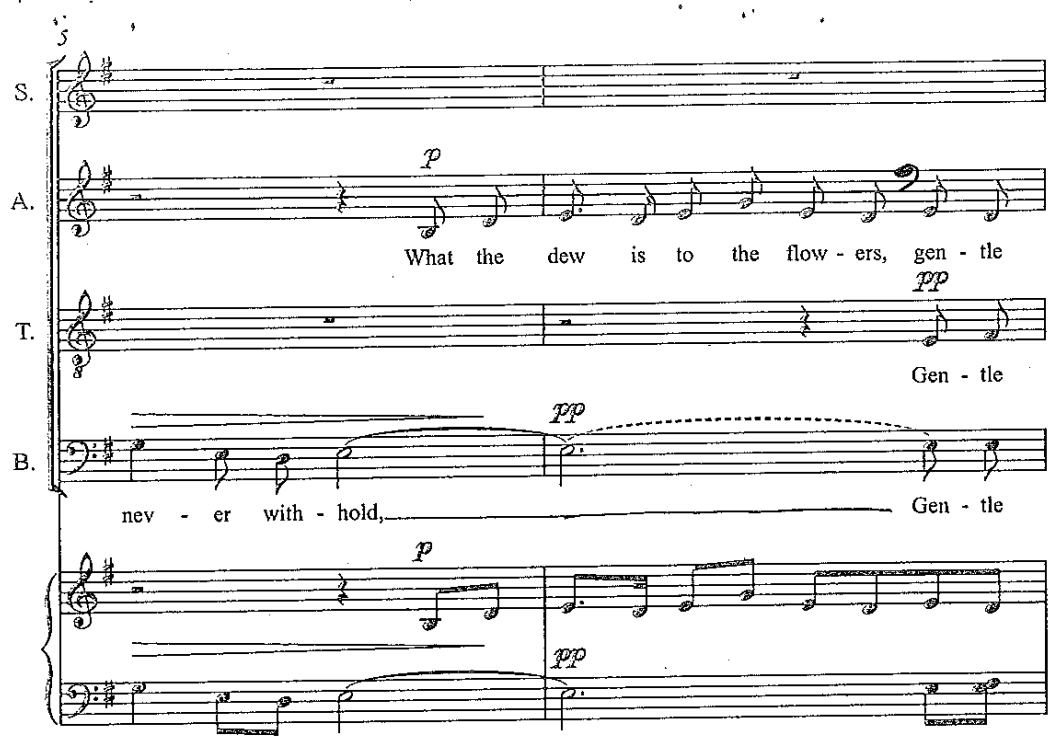
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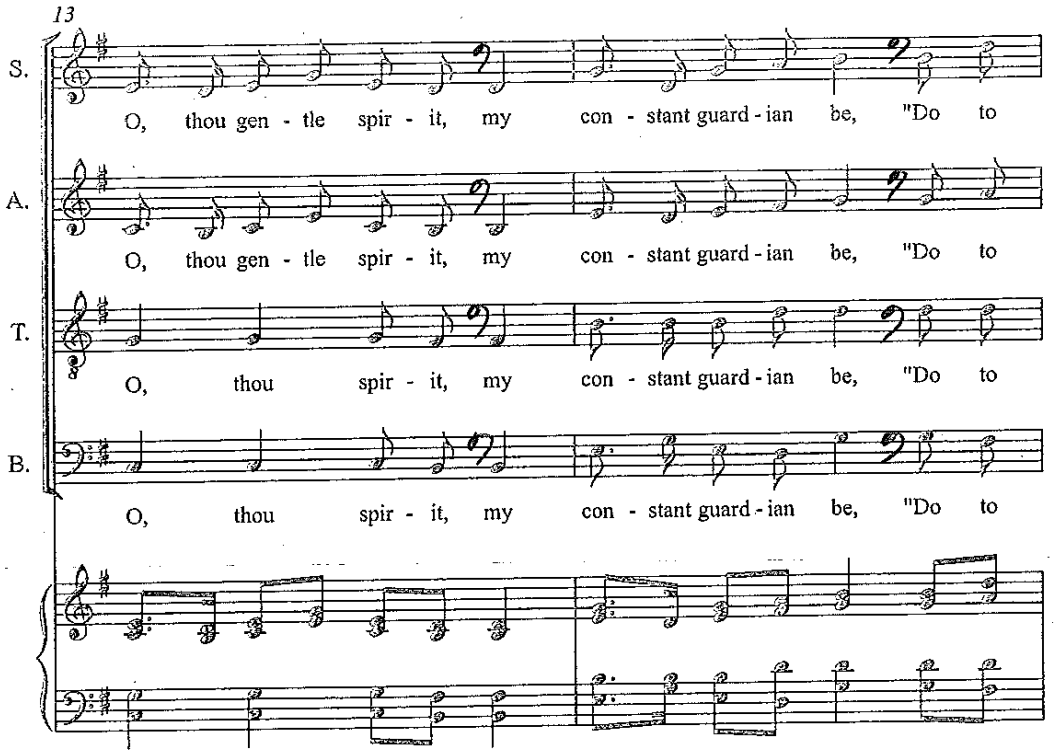
S.
A.
T.
B.
p
What the dew is to the flow - ers, gen - tle
pp
Gen - tle
nev - er with - hold,
Gen - tle

7
S.
A.
T.
B.
words are to the soul, and a bless - ing to the giv - er and so
words are to the soul, and a bless - ing and so
words, and a bless - ing and so

9
S.
A.
T.
B.
mf
While
dear to the re - ceiv - er, we should nev - er with - hold, While
dear, we should nev - er with - hold.
(Light voice)
dear,
11
links of love are bro - ken by words that are un - kind, then
links of love are bro - ken by words that are un - kind, then
by words that are un - kind, then
then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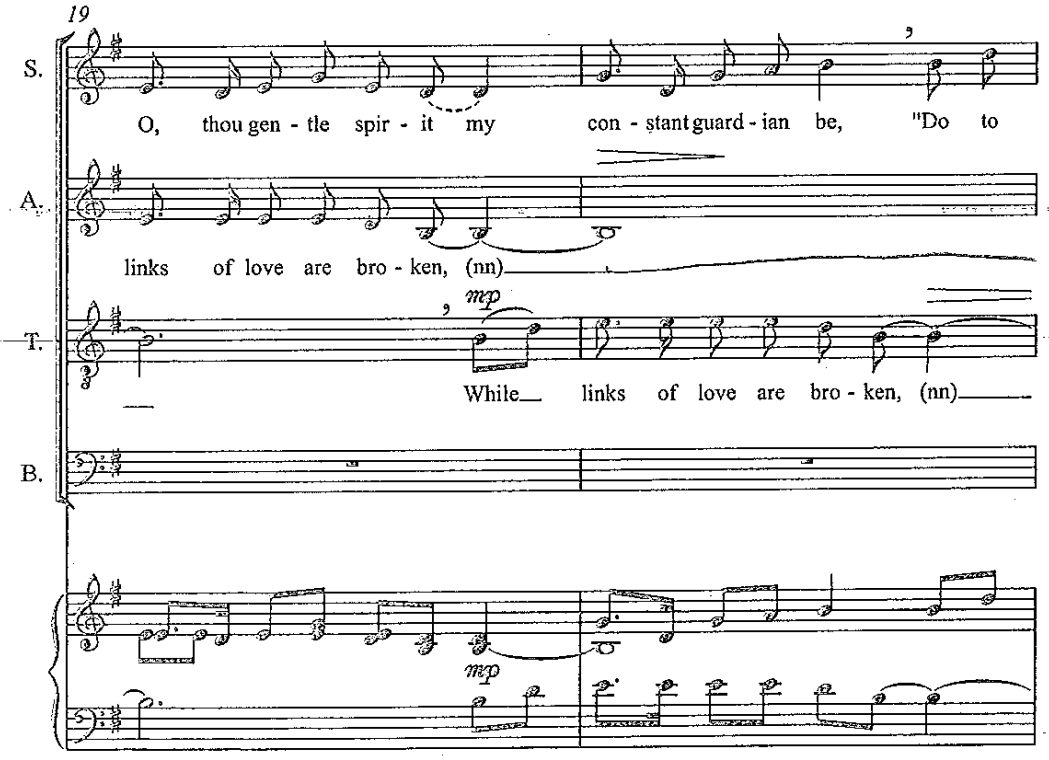
S.
O, thou gen - tle spir - it, my con - stant guard - ian be, "Do to
A.
O, thou gen - tle spir - it, my con - stant guard - ian be, "Do to
T.
O, thou spir - it, my con - stant guard - ian be, "Do to
B.
O, thou spir - it, my con - stant guard - ian be, "Do to

15
S.
oth - ers" be my mot - to "as I'd have them do to me." While
A.
oth - ers" be my mot - to "as I'd have them do to me."
T.
oth - ers" be my mot - to "as I'd have them do to me."
B.
oth - ers" be my mot - to "as I'd have them do to me."

17
S.
links of love are bro - ken by words that are un - kind, then
A.
While
T.
While links of love are bro - ken, (nn)
(Light voice)
B.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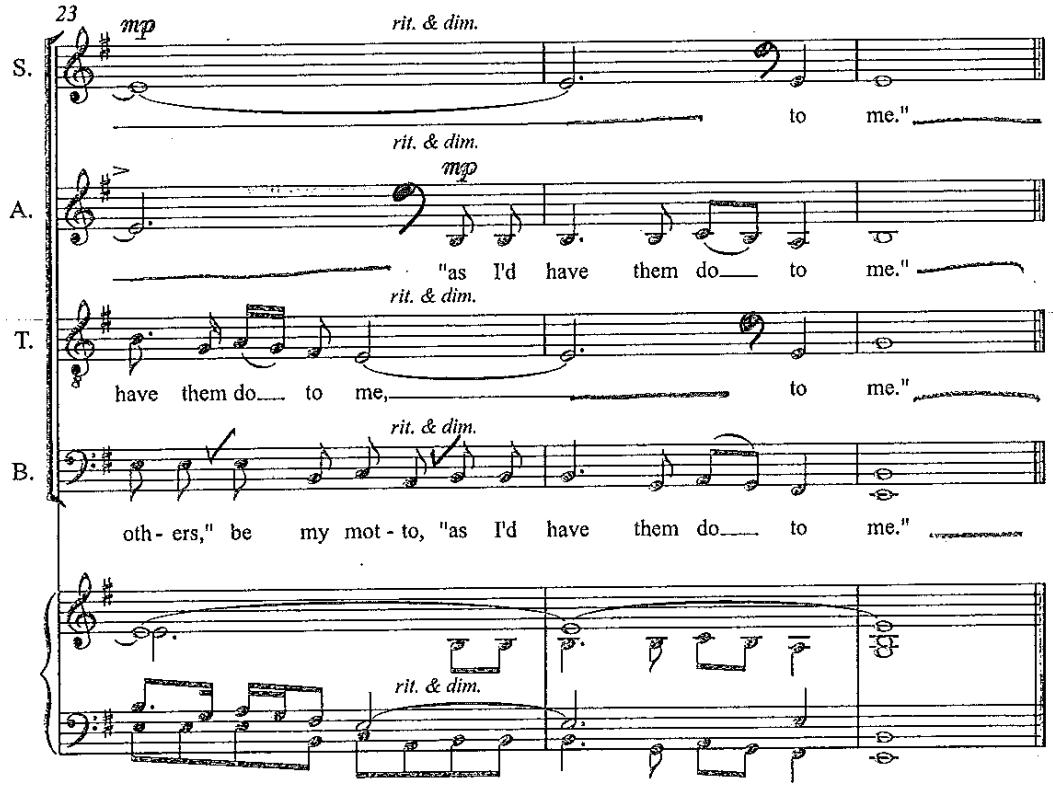
S.
O, thou gen - tle spir - it my con - stant guard - ian be, "Do to
A.
links of love are bro - ken, (nn)
T.
mp
While links of love are bro - ken, (nn)
B.
mp

21
S.
oth - ers" be my mot - to "as I'd have them do to me."
mp
A.
"Do to oth - ers as I'd have them do to me,"
mp
T.
"Do to oth - ers" be my mot - to "as I'd
mp
B.
"Do to



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